

# Daily Eagle

COLONIAL RACE OF NEW YORK.

What Has Become of It?—The Colonial Descendant and the Immigrant.

The question arises, what has become of the once active colonial race—descendants of Batavian and Anglo-Saxon—who so ardently sought their chartered privileges under Governor Dongan, and, finally, were among the first to assert their right to them. In answer to this question, the Anglo-Saxon, the French and other nationalities that colonized the city have disappeared under climatic influences and race admixture; and although the Anglo-Saxon is the controlling parental stock, a distinct colonial type has resulted. The type, according to many observers, is fast disappearing, or is still in the throes of acclimatization, there not having been sufficient endurance in it to reach the state of renaturalization.

The characteristics of the colonial race, as continued to our day, distinguish the present colonial New Yorker of three or four generations' descent from the colonial Anglo-Saxon ancestor, as much as the latter is distinct from the Latin races. Such deviation is apparent in the physical, mental, and, perhaps, moral attributes of the new race, and also in its linguistic expression. It requires but a glance to distinguish the colonial descendant, physically, from the race ancestors. The neck has become elongated, the hair is darker and straighter, the bones are smaller, the jaws, or jaws, have become contracted, the normal pulse is quicker, the voice higher, the complexion dry and pale; and, above all, the power of nourishing the species has materially diminished. So pronounced are these changes that there are anthropologists who consider them signs of mental degeneration and of an approaching extinction, which can only be prevented by continual admixture from more robust sources. If the purity of a race blood is essential to natural bodily and mental vigor, as some contend, then the dominance of the New Englander, through a more pure Anglo-Saxon descent, may be cited as an example.

Under the small increase in the numbers of the descendants of the original settlers, the city of New York is practically in the hands of others, and the ancient colonial element is being rapidly eliminated, or, at least, has lost prominence. The city of New York is now indirectly, if not directly, ruled by immigrants or the sons of immigrants. While the invasion of New England thrift and pertinacity have placed the New Englander comparatively at the head of the commercial, and of very much of its professional life, those of immediate Irish blood are practically the political power. It is natural that the foreign element should keep rule, if they have the enterprise to grasp it, and when the door is left wide open, and the descendants of the ancient inhabitants must often bear the rule, even, at times, of those morally unfit for power, if they are unwilling or unable to contend with the more aggressive races.—J. W. Gerard in Magazine of American History.

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF BEE CULTURE.

A Serious Law suit in California—Honey Hunting with Poles and Crowbars.

There has just now been decided a serious lawsuit near Los Angeles which will have an important bearing on bee culture in California. A fruit grower sued his neighbor, who is a bee grower, for damage done to his orchard by the invading army of bees. A great deal of expert testimony was heard, all tending to show that the bee is bad for fruit if allowed to ravage the orchard persistently and in too great numbers; and so the court has decided that no man shall be allowed to set upon an apiary and let his bees wander at will over the fruit and flower fields without being held responsible for damages.

But now comes a new trouble. The bees, as if suspecting this verdict, as said before, have abandoned their hives in large numbers and filled the hills. And now how is the court to reach these busy little brown tramps? They cannot be reached or effectively interfered with at all. And now that it has been decided that the bee does harm to fruit and flowers, we may soon expect to see this little synonym of honest industry denounced and, for the first time in the history of the world, disliked by the honest farmers.

And behold! The new bee hunter has come also with this new order of things. The other day I saw two Chinamen up in the mountains with poles and iron bars and a big tin bucket. These were the new bee hunters of this advancing and swift age. They were not seeking for bee trees. They did not need, after the old fashion, to sit all day in a field of buckwheat and get the course of the laden bees. They simply took pole and hoe and bucket and went up in the hills and walked along the shelving rocks till they saw the wild bees coming in or going out, and then they tore open the rocks, filled their buckets with honey and went home. That is about all the skill, or tool, or romance that is attached to the modern bee hunter of California.

Bee trees are, of course, very abundant. I have a friend with oak trees in his yard who is at certain seasons of the year greatly annoyed by swarms of bees trying to take up their abode in his oaks. He shoots cotton or other burning and inflammable matter into the clinging mass of bees when they settle on his trees, and either drives them out or destroys them.

How different all this from the dear old times when the swarming of a new hive was a delightful event and the discovery of a strange swarm of bees in your dooryard a find of splendid good fortune.—Joachim Miller in Chicago Times.

## For Pretty She Will Be.

An English woman is beautiful by nature or not beautiful, and there is an end of the matter. A Parisienne can rarely compete with the beautiful English or American women in feature or complexion and purity of skin, but she exerts such an effort of will in making herself fascinating that she often surpasses her rival in spite of natural disadvantages. Take Rachel, for instance. Nature gave her a thin face with a large and prominent forehead, deep-set eyes, a sunken mouth, a pointed chin, a scraggy body and lean arms. Out of these natural materials, the little Jewess, by dint of genius, will, passion, love, and gold spent on beautiful objects, made the Rachel that men will ever remember—a woman of Corinth or of Syracuse, with the caressing gesture of a statue by Coysevox, the intensity of a water color by Gavarri, lips that always reflected the light, and in her somber eyes the subtle flame of intelligence.

In the Parisienne, from the shop girl to the grande dame, there seems to be an innate cult of her person, a respect of her flesh, a pride in her silhouette and bearing, and with a constant effort to refashion and remake herself in accordance with a marvelous ideal of beauty, grace, elegance and youth; to take from antiquity, from the east, from all ages and countries that which has constituted their peculiar elegance, and then to reduce these elements of elegance to the Parisian formula. Every Parisienne is a living work of art, the product of a mysterious collaboration of surroundings.—Paris Cor. London World.

Machine for Searing the Timid. The bad little boy of Rome, N. Y., has invented a machine for searing timid persons that he says "knocks the window tick-tack silly." When night has come and everything is shrouded in gloom he quietly inserts the hook of a common shoe buttoner under a cupboard of a neighbor's house, ties a strong cord to the handle of the buttoner, and then, drawing the string tight, rubs it with a piece of rosin. The horrible rumbling and shaking and growling that follow scare the inmates of the house and delight the bad boy.—Chicago Times.

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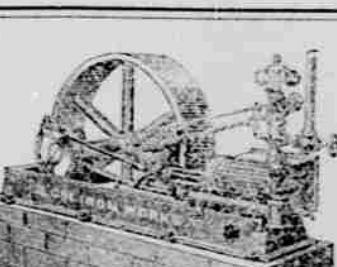
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